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## **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900-0721]

Agency Information Collection: Exam for Housebound Status or Permanent Need for Regular Aid and Attendance

**ACTIVITY**: Under OMB Review.

**AGENCY**: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION**: Notice.

**SUMMARY**: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov, or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17th St. NW, Washington, DC 20503 or sent through electronic mail to oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900–0721" in any correspondence.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 -21.

Title: (Exam for Housebound Status or Permanent Need for Regular Aid and

Attendance (VA Form 21-2680)).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0721.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 21-2680 is used to determine eligibility for the aid and attendance

and/or housebound benefit. This form is maintained in the veteran's claims folder. The

purpose of this examination is to record manifestations and findings pertinent to the

question of whether the claimant is housebound (confined to the home or immediate

premises) or in need of the regular aid and attendance of another person.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a

collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The

Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this

collection of information was published at 82 FR 74 on April 19, 2017, page 18537.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 7,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

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Estimated Number of Respondents: 14,000.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,

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Office of Quality, Privacy and Risk,

Department of Veterans Affairs.

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